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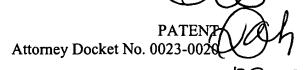
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## **AMENDMENT**

In response to the Office Action of August 5, 2003, please amend this application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this paper.

Customer Window, Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment

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Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.